

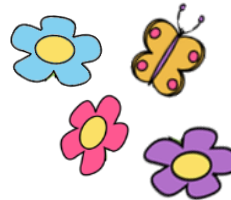


Among Friends

JUNE, 2021



A FROM DIANE'S DESK



Greetings,

After I received my second Covid vaccination, I wondered, why would something that is supposed to keep you from getting sick make you so sick?? It just didn't seem to make sense.

God's word is kind of like that. It says things like; in order to gain life, you must lose your life...things like; pray for those who persecute you...things like; love your enemies. It might not make sense to us, but the more time we spend in God's word the more sense it will make. Why? Because the more time we spend in God's word, the more we will come to understand who God is and how he thinks.

Summer is finally here and we excitedly look ahead to no school, time off work, picnics and vacations. And as summer vacations approach, please don't take a vacation from God's word and God's worship.

Here are reasons we need to be in God's Word:

GOD'S WORD STRENGTHENS US

My soul is weary with sorrow; strengthen me according to your word. Psalm 119:28

GOD'S WORD PRESERVES OUR LIVES

I am laid low in the dust; preserve my life according to your word. Psalm 119:25

My comfort in my suffering is this; Your promise preserves my life. Psalm 119:50

GOD'S WORD GIVES US HOPE

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path. Psalm 119:105

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JULY

**Newsletter
Deadline**

June 24



SPECIAL DATES IN JUNE

- Flag Day, June 14
- Father's Day, June 20
- First day of summer, June 20



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JULY
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JUNE 24

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From Our Pastor's Desk (continued)

GOD'S WORD UPHOLDS AND SUSTAINS US

Jesus answered, "It is written; 'Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.'" Matthew 4:4

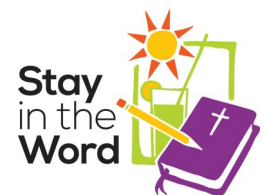
GOD'S WORD GIVES US FAITH

Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word of Christ. Romans 10:17

GOD'S WORD BRINGS HEALING AND DELIVERANCE

He sent forth his word and healed them; he rescued them from the grave. Psalm 107:20

Yes, it takes time, however the time you will spend learning about God and worshiping God is so worth it. I hope everyone has a great summer, but remember this; stay close to God.



In His Love,
Diane

PASTOR DIANE HAS A NEW CELLPHONE NUMBER!



INSPIRING QUOTES FROM DIETRICH BONHOEFFER

Submitted by Ruth Keith



"We must be ready to allow ourselves to be interrupted by God."

"The Church is the Church only when it exists for others...not dominating, but helping and serving/It must tell men of every calling what it means to live for Christ, to exist for others."

Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Dietrich Bonhoeffer was a German Lutheran pastor, theologian, anti-Nazi dissident, and key founding member of the Confessing Church. His writings on Christianity's role in the secular world have become widely influential, and his book **The Cost of Discipleship** has been described as a modern classic.

Bonhoeffer, though privy to various plots on Hitler's life, was never at the center of the plans. Eventually his resistance efforts (mainly his role in rescuing Jews) was discovered. On an April afternoon in 1943, two men arrived in a black Mercedes, put Bonhoeffer in the car, and drove him to Tegel prison.

Bonhoeffer spent two years in prison, corresponding with family and friends, pastoring fellow prisoners, and reflecting on the meaning of "Jesus Christ for today." As the months progressed, he began outlining a new theology, penning enigmatic lines that had been inspired by his reflections on the nature of Christian action in history.

Eventually, Bonhoeffer was transferred from Tegel to Buchenwald and then to the extermination camp at Flossenbürg. On April 9, 1945, one month before Germany surrendered, he was hanged with six other resisters.

SUNDAY SCHOOL UPDATE

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL:

Summer lessons look at God's gift of faith as a source of hope. How would we cope without hope? June lessons are from the Gospels and focus on the teachings and miracles of Jesus. The lessons will show that God is the primary source of hope and confidence.

Join us for Bible study and sharing each Sunday at 9:45AM. All are welcome!

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL:

The Children's Sunday school class is comparing how a story is recorded differently in the four gospels. We meet in the church basement at 9:45 a.m. each week.



LOOK FOR THE SIGN!

Submitted by Evelyn Vargo

When driving past the Community Center don't forget to watch for the signs of humor and encouragement.

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Prayer List

*“Is any one of you sick? He should call the elders of the church to pray over him and anoint him with oil in the name of the Lord.”
James 5:16*

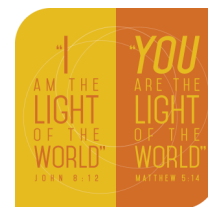
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The Family of Rachel Allio
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Ruth Cooper
Kay Curtis
Heather Datt
Jim Dickey
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SEE THE LIGHT BE THE LIGHT



In January 2021, National Youth Poet Laureate Amanda Gorman presented her poem “The Hill We Climb” at the presidential inauguration. The final lines read: “For there is always light, / if only we’re brave enough to see it. / If only we’re brave enough to be it.”

How often we long for light! In recent years we’ve agonized amid pandemic, angry politics and new awareness of racism. Some have suffered deep sorrow. But Jesus says, “I am the light of the world” (John 8:12) and invites us to turn to him. God is always bringing light into darkness, through helpers, healers, peacemakers, friends. Sometimes bravery is required to turn our focus from the negative to the positive — to see the light of God.

Jesus also says, “You are the light of the world” (Matthew 5:14, emphasis added) and calls us to brighten the gloom. That requires bravery, as Gorman notes, but as Christians we’re urged to look for light not just to make our own lives better but to shine into others’ lives too. The Holy Spirit gives us the needed courage — to both **see** and **be** light.

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.HAPPY.
Father's
DAY

BIRTHDAYS

Nathaniel Vukson, 6/5
Michele Lagnese, 6/28
Rebekah Hogg, 6/29
Lily Sybert, 6/30

ANNIVERSARIES

Dennis & Sandie Grosky, 6/8
Dave & Donna Walker, 6/27

A good father is one of the most *unsung, unpraised, unnoticed,* and yet one of the *most valuable* assets in our society.

-Billy Graham-

REMEMBER OUR FRIENDS IN NURSING HOMES

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JUST FOR FUN

father:

[fa-ther] noun

Someone who kills spiders and makes bad jokes.

See also: *protector, comedian.*



THINGS MY DAD TAUGHT ME:

RELIGION

"You better PRAY that's not a scratch!"



LOGIC

"Because I said so, that's why!"



IRONY

"KEEP CRYING and I'll give you something to CRY ABOUT!"



BOTANY

"Money DOESN'T GROW on TREES!"



Sweet Treats for Dad — Can you spot 10 differences?



cherry missing from cake, chocolate chip missing from cookie, wrapped candy missing, doughnut missing, berry missing from cupcake, chocolate candy different color, cookie with bite out missing, cookie with star missing, bowtie missing from gingerbread man, icing different color on layer cake



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